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UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTALCHECK BOX, if applicable: ☐ DUPLICATE  
(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.:

09792909-5113

First Named Inventor:

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Title of Invention:

Semiconductor Apparatus, Manufacturing  
Method Therefor, Solid State Imaging  
Device and Manufacturing Method  
Therefor

Express Mail Label No:

EL654782275US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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Washington, DC 20231

1. ☒ This Form includes the Fee Transmittal (See Box 18)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.27)
3. ☒ Specification *Total Pages* 38  
(37 pages and 1 cover page)
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) *Total Sheets* 14  
(Figs. 1-16H)
5. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney *Total Pages* 2
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- c. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see  
37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate; or
- ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) *Total Pages* 2
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy of Assignment Papers from a prior application
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
- a. ☒ IDS By Applicant (PTO/SB/08A or PTO-1449)
- b. ☒ Copies of IDS Citations are enclosed
- c. ☐ Copy IDS Citations from a prior application
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment "A" to  
1.53(b) DIVISIONAL *Total Pages* 3
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (properly addressed; postage prepaid)
15. ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Priority Document:  
Document No. P8-296938, filed on November 8, 1996 in  
parent application. Copy of cover sheet enclosed.
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 USC 122
- a. ☐ Non-publication Request (PTO/SB/35 or equivalent)
- b. ☐ Publication Request (PTO/SB/35 or equivalent)
17. ☒ Other:
- a. ☒ Express Mail Certificate (No. EL654782275US)

18. ☒ CONTINUING APPLICATION. If continuing application, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:
- a. ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 08/965,980
- b. ☒ Prior application information: Examiner Name: E. ABRAHAM Group Art Unit: 2826
- c. ☒ The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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- e. ☒ A check including the amount of \$710.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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